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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
YUTARO KANEKO, ET AL. : EXAMINER: M. WILSON  
SERIAL NO: 09/087,513 :  
FILED: MAY 29, 1998 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1632  
FOR: ALTERED ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN FOR HIV VACCINE AND  
TREATMENT OF PATIENTS WITH HIV INFECTION

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated June 25, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the executed Rule 132

Declaration of Dr. Alagarsamy Srinivasan submitted herewith and the following remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.